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THE PEOPLE'S STORE.

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BIG HANDKERCHIEF SALE

85 Dozen Ladies white Swiss embroidered Handkerchiefs 10c each former price 15c.
115 Dozen Ladies white Swiss embroidered Handkerchiefs 15c or 2 for 25c never sold below 20c.
88 Dozen Ladies white Swiss embroidered Handkerchiefs 25c former prices from 39 to 50c.
50 Dozen Ladies white Hemstitched Handkerchiefs with Initals 5c each.
60 Dozen white Silk embroidered Handkerchiefs 3 for 25c former prices 15c.
25 Dozen white Silk embroidered Handkerchiefs 15c former price 25c.
25 Dozen same better quality with open work 25c each former prices 39 and 50c.
150 Dozen Ladies Irish embroidered Hemstitched Handkerchiefs 3 for 25c.
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in some things is apparent and a look is all that is needed to convince you. Other things you have to eat before you know.

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Many of our patrons order two and three dozen of our *Mantelles* which confirms us in our opinion that our Mantelles at $1 a doz is the best offer in photos in the city. Our Cabinets at $2 a doz until Christmas seem unusually reasonable. Examine our work.

MARTIN'S -:- -:- STUDIO
Eagle st. - Next Baptist Church.

By Telegraph
5.00 O'CLOCK.

SENATE CAUCUS.

Republican Ranks Close up Over the Silver Desertion.

LODGE AND DINGLEY BILLS.

The Immigration Bill will be Pushed. Dingley Bill if Possible. International Bimetallism Looked For.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—There were only three Republican senators in the marble room at 10 o'clock this morning, the hour for the Republican caucus. A quorum was secured about 10.30. The most noticeable feature of the caucus as viewed from the outside was the absence of the men who bolted the nomination of Mr. McKinley because of the gold standard platform.

Those absent on this account were Senators Dubois, Pettigrew, Mantle, Cannon, Squire and Teller. All these except Mr. Teller are in the city and could have attended had they been disposed.

Mr. Duboise Resigns.

That their absense was intentional was clearly shown by a letter from Mr Duboise addressed to Mr. Sherman, chairman, resigning the position of secretary of the Republican senators, also resigning as member and secretary of the Republican advisory committee of the senate.

The bolters all received invitations which had been sent as if they never left the party. They found it impossible to communicate with Mr. Teller, who had not reached the city, but all expressed confidence that he would not have gone to the conference. The other silverites who refused to bolt were as conspicuous, however, by their presence in the caucus.

Takes It for Granted.

The caucus adjourned until 11.20 o'clock. An unusual amount of business was transacked and the caucus was pronounced one of the smoothest ever held. Mr. Dubois' letter was received without comment. "We have closed up the ranks and marched on" said one of the participants.

There was no formal motion to accept the resignation, but, Mr. Lodge taking the acceptance as a matter of fact, moved the election of Mr. Wilson of Washington as secretary while Mr. Shoup was placed on the steering committee.

Tariff and Immigration.

The advisability of trying to pass the Dingley bill was the main topic of discussion, though the meeting was called for the purpose of agreeing on a program for the entire session. This was referred to the steering committee with instructions to investigate the possibility of getting the bill through and devise means to that end.

Mr. Gear brought up the Pacific railroad question and the Lodge immigration bill. The Pacific railroad bill was referred to the steering committee, but after Mr. Lodge explained the status of the immigration bill to the caucus it was decided to stand by the measure as a party and press it for early consideration.

International Bimetallism.

The caucus also decided for an international agreement on silver by agreeing to a resolution by Mr. Wolcott, introduced for providing for an appointment of a special committee of five to devise a plan during the present session to secure a conference.

Mr. Wolcott's resolution reads: "Resolved that a special committee of five members of this caucus be appointed to recommend a plan whereby legislation will be possible this session looking to an international conference of the leading commercial nations of the world for promoting bimetallism."

Senate at Business.

The senate settled down to business today. Many petitions were presented from manufacturing interests urging the passage of the Dingley bill. An early opening of the Cuban question is foreshadowed by a notice from Mr. Cullom that he will address the senate on Cuban affairs Thursday next.

The house resolutions having reference to the death of Mr. Crisp were laid before the senate, and Mr. Bacon announced he would later ask that a day be set aside for eulogies. As a mark of respect the senate adjourned at 12.25 o'clock.

In the House.

In the house the attendance was large. This noon the galleries were deserted. After a short consultation it was decided to proceed with the regular order.

Postoffice Bills.

A bill was passed in the house allowing the use of private mailing cards the same size of postal cards by affixing a one-cent stamp. It takes effect July 1, 1897.

A bill providing for indemnity for loss of registered mail matter not to exceed $10 was passed by a vote of 76 to 13.

The Appropriations.

The appropriations committee of the house is likely to make a record of disposing of appropriation bills this session. Everything will be ready for the senate's consideration at an unusually early date.

Chairman Cannon says the pension bill, legislative, executive and judicial bill and deficiency bill will probably be passed before the holiday recess. There will be two deficiency bills this session; one before recess and other carrying odds and ends near the end of the session.

THE SIX DAYS RACE.

The Riders Dropping Out. Cirshman is Leading, Breaking Records.

(Special Despatch to the Transcript.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The opening of the second twenty-four hours of the six day bicycle contest in Madison Square garden finds the ranks of the racers sadly depleted. Originally there were twenty-seven competitors. Sixteen remained this forenoon, and there is good betting that less than half this number will be in at the finish.

Two failed to toe the mark when the race started. Six dropped during the first eighteen hours. Conklin, Vonstoeg, Golden and Drew dropped out this morning. Hale Cirshman, who led since yesteday afternoon breaking record after record, was fresh and hopeful this morning.

He took a little nap early this morning then put seventy-six miles to his credit. Experts at the garden, however, say he will not last six days. Albeit there was nothing in his appearance this morning to warrant the assertion.

INSURGENTS DISLODGED.

The Spanish Troops Reported to Have Gained Two Victories.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

HAVANA, Dec. 8.—General Figueroa, yesterday moving in the direction of Platano, Havana province, met an advance guard of insurgents. He captured their position and found 4,000 insurgents awaiting, who promptly attacked, but the Spaniards by a brilliant charge repulsed them.

The insurgents were dislodged after thirty-nine shells had been fired into their positions. The insurgents had sixty-eight killed. The Spaniards had one lieutenant killed, one wounded and twenty-four privates wounded.

Another engagement took place near Punta Brava and resulted in the dislodging of the insurgents with forty killed and many wounded. The Spanish loss was about the same.

LATER.

It is semi-officially admitted that Maceo passed the military line at Pinar del Rio Friday.

FINANCIAL.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

New York Market.

[Closing Quotations, 3 p. m.]

Received through the office of A. M. Tinker, Room 3, Blackinton block. Executes orders for stocks and bonds, deals upon New York Stock Exchange for cash or on margin. Private telephone 76.

American Cotton Oil	
American Sugar	115 1-8
Atchison	14 1-8
American Tobacco	74 3-4
B. & O.	15
Canada Southern	49 1-2
Central of New Jersey	104
Chesapeake & Ohio	17
Hocking Valley	17 1-2
Chicago & Northwestern	106 1-8
C. B. & Q.	77 3-4
Chicago Gas	75 3-8
St. Paul	74 5-8
Rock Island	68 1-4
Chicago, St. P., M. & O.	49 1-8
C. C. C. & St. L.	25 1-4
Con. Gas	159
Del. & Hud.	
Del. & L. W.	158 1-2
Dis. and C. Feed	15 1-2
Gen. Electric	33 3-4
Ill. Cen.	
Lake Shore	156
L. & Nash.	50
Manhattan Elevated	90 1-2
M. K. & T. Com.	
M. K. & T. Pref.	28 7-8
Missouri Pacific	22
National Lead	24 7-8
New England	
N. Y. Central	95 1-2
Erie	15 3-8
Ont. & West.	15 1-2
N. Y. Sus. & W., common	
" " " pref.	26 3-4
No. Pacific pref.	24 5-8
Pacific Mail	25 1-2
Phil & Reading	28 1-2
Pullman	
Southern Raly common	10 3-4
" " pref.	29 5-8
Ten. Coal & Iron	28 3-4
Texas Pacific	
Union Pacific	10 1-8
U. S. Rubber	25 1-2
U. S. Leather common	
" " pref.	62
Wabash pref.	16 1-2
Western Union	86
Wheeling & Lake Erie	6

Chicago Markets.

Wheat—	May 80 7-8
Corn—	May 29 1-4
Oats—	May 21 1-4
Pork—Jan. 7.62	May 7.95
Lard—Jan. 3.87	May 4.10

Cotton.

	Opened.	Closed.
Jan.	7.30	7.19.

Morning News Will be Found on Page Four of this Paper.

By Telegraph
4.00 O'CLOCK.

TO STRANGE EYES.

How the President's Message Looks to English Critics.

MR. McKINLEY'S LEGACY.

The United States Has a Right to Ask Spain to Quell the Cuban Insurrection or Retire.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The Pall Mall Gazette commenting on President Cleveland's message says: "There is nothing in the message unsatisfactory to Great Britain. As far as Cuba is concerned Mr Cleveland is neither diplomatic nor politic in language and will please neither Spain nor the insurgents.

Monroeism There.

The Globe sees in the message "Monroeism thrusting itself forward in the usual menacing fashion and doubts of McKinley will be grateful to his predecessor for bequeathing him the task of bullying Spain."

A Right to Question.

The St. James Gazette contrasts the polite cautious tone of the message with the message of a year ago in similar topics, saying, the conditions in Cuba are undoubtedly such as to give the United States a right to call upon Spain to enforce her authority speedily or acknowledge that an inability to suppress anarchy has deprived her of the right to be considered as governing the island.

Down in Mexico.

In the City of Mexico there is a keen feeling of disappointment because President Cleveland did not see his way clear to the recognition of the belligerency of the Cubans. Mexican sympathy is undoubtedly with the insurgents. This country and most of Latin America, with the possible exception of Chili, is ready to follow the lead of the great republic. Today it is said that Mr. McKinley will take a more generous attitude.

CHEATED THE GALLOWS.

Eckert Dies by His Own Hand and Disappoints the Hangman.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 8.—Abram Eckert, to have been hanged today for the murder of Frederick Bittenbender July 7, 1895, took poison in his cell this morning and died.

THE COMPANY MUST PAY.

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript.)

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 8.—In its decision in Adams versus the Peoples line the court of appeals today holds that when a passenger losses money from a state room while he is actual occupant of the room he is entitled to recover from the steamboat owners.

LOCAL NEWS.

Drury Hop Postponed,

The Christmas hop to have been given at Columbia opera house Friday evening, December 18, by the class of '97, Drury high school, has been postponed on account of the concert and dance to be given that evening in Odd Fellows hall in aid of the hospital nurses' home fund. The date of the hop has not yet been fixed but will be announced later. The postponement is a graceful act on the part of the class and one that will be appreciated by the entire community.

Resignation of a Pastor.

The members of the First Congregational church of Williamstown were treated to a surprise at the close of Rev. William Slade's sermon Sunday morning, when he tendered his resignation. No reason was given for his action, but it is understood that he desires to rest for a year. Mr. Slade's pastorate has extended over a period of five years and has been successful. The church has grown steadily during that time, and is in a prosperous condition. Mr. Slade is popular and his friends are included in other denominations than his own. He has always shown an active interest in public affairs, and the town will lose a good citizen in his removal. The church officers will take immediate action with a view to securing a successor.

—The Caledonian club will hold a meeting on the new rooms in the *Hoosac* savings bank block this evening. A large attendance is requested.

FIRST-CLASS ENTERTAINMENT.

Given Under Y. M. C. A. Auspices at the Columbia Opera House.

The concert given at Columbia opera house Monday evening by the Euterpe Mandolin, Banjo and Harp club, which appeared under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian association, was largely attended and proved a most enjoyable entertainment. The playing by the club was thoroughly artistic and finished and every number on the program was encored. The club played both classical and popular selections and held the interest of the audience from opening to close. "Echoes of '61" was an especially popular selection, as was also the Tally-ho Galop, composed by I. S. Browne of this city. In responding to encores the club sang several selections and proved themselves as effective with their voices as with their instruments. Mrs. Henninger's recitals were skillfully given and were received with all the usual evidences of approval.

The entertainment was a pronounced success in all respects and many consider it the best in the series thus far. The Y. M. C. A. deserves much credit for furnishing such excellent entertainments at a price which places them within the reach of all, and the attendance Monday night showed something of appreciation. There are two more good entertainments to come and both should be well patronized.

A THEATRICAL EVENT.

Otis Skinner at the Columbia Opera House Wednesday Evening.

Seldom has our local stage had an opportunity to present so great an attraction as will be found in a "Soldier of Fortune" with Otis Skinner in the leading role, at the Columbia opera house Wednesday evening.

Mr. Skinner is among the most finished romantic actors on the American stage. He is a great favorite in New York among the most exacting class of theatre goers. He was trained in the superb school of the celebrated Daly company, in connection with which we believe he won his first honors which have since developed into a most enviable national reputation.

"The Soldier of Fortune" is his new play in which he has just made a successful hit in a run of several weeks in Chicago. The enterprising manager of the Columbia opera house succeeded in engaging Mr. Skinner and his admirable company as they had a half dozen evenings open for New England cities before beginning an engagement in Brooklyn next week. It is an expensive undertaking for the manager but a fortunate one for North Adams theatre goers.

WILL REMAIN HERE.

Dr. Charles T. Woodward Has Decided to Locate in This City.

Dr. Charles T. Woodward, son of L. Warner Woodward of Willow Dell, has opened an office in the Bradford block on Main street for the practice of medicine. Dr. Woodward graduated from Dartmouth Medical college in the class of 1893 and for the past three years has been located in West Rye, N. H. He is well known in this city and has many friends who will be glad to learn that he has decided to make this city his home again.

DRURY PUPILS' CANTATA.

Will Be Given at the Closing Exercises of the Schools.

Professor E. A. Tower is arranging for the production of a cantata entitled "Santa Claus and the Fairies" to be given by about twenty pupils from the lower grades of Drury academy at the closing day exercises Thursday afternoon, December 17, in Drury hall. The cantata will be repeated on that evening at the exercises which will mark the closing of the evening schools.

To Serve Tea Friday Night.

The tea to be served by the Ladies' auxiliary of the Young Men's Christian association to the officers, directors and committeemen promises to be a very interesting event. The tea will be served Friday evening, December 11, at 6.30 o'clock. Reports of the work already done, and plans for the winter's work will be presented by the chairmen of the different committees and a general social time will be enjoyed. A good attendance is hoped for and much good is expected to result from the meeting.

Examining Furniture.

Superintendent Hall and the members of the supply committee of the school board are being daily waited upon by agents of firms who are desirous of supplying the furniture for the new Braytonville and Johnson schools. The samples after being examined are left at the Y. M. C. A. building for further consideration.

Arranging for Xmas Exercises.

The Methodist church chorus choir, which consists of fifty voices, is making arrangements for an elaborate musical pragram to be given at the usual Christmas exercises in the church on December 25.

The chorus, with the assistance of the soloists from the choir, will render "The Star of Bethlehem" in costumes of the ancient times. Much earnest work is being put into the rehearsals and an effort to make the exercises of special merit can hardly fail to be successful.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

The Last Regular Meeting of the Year Held Monday Evening.

FINANCIAL MATTERS DISCUSSED.

Election Officers Appointed and Pay Fixed. The School House Question. What the Committee will Recommend.

The last regular meeting of the council for the year was held Monday evening, when sixteen members responded to the roll call.

The mayor sent in the following appointments to fill vacancies in the list of election officers: Fourth ward—Warden, John Larkin; inspectors, Ernest Stockwell, Frank Brooker; deputy warden, James Lunny; deputy inspectors, George Tanner, Thomas Smith, Daniel Reagan. Sixth ward—Clerk, James E. Miller; deputy clerk, J. K. Moloney. The appointments were approved.

A communication was received from the mayor with reference to borrowing $35,000. Councilman Whitaker explained that owing to the fact that part of the city debt was coming due this year the council last April authorized the treasurer to borrow $35,000 for a term of years at a rate of interest not exceeding 4 per cent. per annum. But the city borrowed $200,000 later and it was thought best to use that for the time being and not borrow the $35,000, as by so doing a considerable sum could be saved in interest. Later the rate of interest went up and the $35,000 could not be borrowed at 4 per cent. The money is now needed, but Mr. Whitaker thought it might be best to wait a little and include this sum in a much larger one which it will be necessary to borrow soon for school purposes, by which means the city might get a very low rate of interest. This new and large note will be given for a long time, and for issuing it permission will be obtained from the legislature. Under the circumstances Mr. Whitaker thought it would be advisable to make a temporary loan of $35.000. On motion of Whitaker the vote passed in April was reconsidered and rescinded. Councilman Whitaker then moved that the treasurer be instructed to borrow $35,000 for a term not exceeding one year at the lowest interest rate obtainable and the motion was carried.

The city treasurer's report was placed in the hands of the council. On motion of Councilman Farley it was voted to lay it on the table till the next meeting. Councilman Whitaker regretted this and said he thought the report should have been accepted, and that a failure to do so seemed like a reflection on the treasurer. Councilman Wilkinson did not think the action would be so construed. He did not believe there was a man in North Adams more capable of making such a report correctly than Treasurer Hardenbergh, or a man who was more trustworthy, and yet he thought it entirely proper to lay it on the table till the next meeting. Councilman Farley spoke in a similar way, saying he did not consider the action any reflection on the treasurer, but failure to take such action would be establishing a bad precedent.

The council was notified that Ira Simpson would claim damages on account of the changing of the grade in front of the premises at 8 Eagle street. The matter was referred to the committee on claims, composed of councilmen Wilkinson, Darby and Tilton.

School House Matters.

Councilman Wilkinson of the special committee on school houses, reported for the committee. He said the need of more school accommodations is urgent. The building of the Braytonville and Johnson schools is not enough. It is necessary to provide an eight-room building for the Beaver district and to double the Church street building. The committee had visited the Braytonville and Johnson schools and found them all right, only perhaps a little too expensive especially the Braytonville building, which it was believed could be duplicated, for all practical purposes, for $30,000, a saving of $5.000. Mr. Wilkinson said that when the committee could do so it would recommend the erection of an eight-room building in the Beaver district at a cost not to exceed $30,000, and the completion of the Church street school according to the original plans at a cost not to exceed $25,000. But the committee could not do this now. It would be necessary first to get permission from the legislature to borrow the necessary money, and the committee recommended that this be done. The committee would have been glad to recommend the erection of the buildings at once, as the schools are overcrowded, but the city debt being so near the legal limit, this could not be done. Mr. Wilkinson said that when the four buildings are completed—the Braytonville, Johnson, Beaver and Church street schools—there will then be but few vacant school rooms in the city. Another pressing need is more room for the high school, which will have to be provided in the near future, but the committee thought that perhaps one grade could be taken from the high school to Church street when that building is finished and thus postpone for a time the need of building for the high school. On motion of Councilman Whitaker the report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Councilman Darby reported for the committee on naming the cemeteries and recommended that the West Main street cemetery be called the Hillside cemetery, and that what has been called the south cemetery be known as South View cemetery. The report was accepted and an order adopted in accordance therewith, subject to the approval of the mayor.

An order was introduced by Councilman Lonergan making the pay of election officers as follows: Wardens, $7 a day; clerks, $7; inspectors, $5; deputy inspectors, $1.25. Voted.

The council the adjourned.

THE CADY SHOE SHOP TROUBLE.

Statements from the Foreman and a Member of the Firm.

The employes in the bottom-finishing room of W. G. Cady & Co.'s Ashland street shoe factory went out Monday on account of a cut in their wages. Harry French, who has been foreman of the room for a year and a half, says that until ten days ago he worked on a salary, but at that time the firm wanted him to form a contract and offered to pay 75 cents a case for work which had been costing 95 cents. Mr. French told them he did not think it could be done, but he would try it. He says he had to cut the wages of the hands considerably, so much so that some of them could make only $5 a week, and he had to take money out of his own pocket to pay some of them. Some worked by the day and some by the piece. Monday the hands said they could stand it no longer and went out. There are about twenty-eight employed in the room, many of whom are girls. Mr. French says that 95 cents a case is the cost of the same work in the other shops in the city, and that the firm told him that if he could not do the work for 75 cents a case they could get a man who would do it for even less. Thereupon Mr. French's connection with the factory ended.

The Other Side.

S. H. Fairfield, of the firm, says this part of the work has usually been done by contract, but that when Mr. French came here from another town he was not acquainted with the prices and it was thought best to have it done by the day until he became familiar with the situation. When the shop started on a new run ten days ago the firm thought it was time to return to the contract system. Mr. Fairfield talked as though Mr. French cut wages more than was necessary and said a new man, one who formerly worked in this city, would take charge of the room, which would be in operation again Wednesday. He said the firm had never had any trouble with the help in that room, that several of the hands had been to see him about returning to work and that no further trouble is anticipated.

RECEPTION TO BE GIVEN

At St. Joseph's Hall this Evening. Feast of Immaculate Conception.

A reception will be given this evening in St. Joseph's hall to the Ladies' sodality, the Boys sodality and the Children of Mary, three societies of St. Francis church. The Ladies sodality numbers about 350 members, and about thirty new members will be added this evening. Forty new members will be added to the 120 members of the Children of Mary, and the Boys' sodality, a new organization, will number about 150 members. The societies will meet at 7 o'clock at St. Joseph's hall, and after a short social gathering is held they will go to the church where services in observance of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be held This is an annual event of the societies. The Ladies sodality is composed of unmarried ladies of the parish, and the Children of Mary consist of young ladies between the ages of fourteen and eighteen years of age. The Boys' sodality is composed of boys ranging from 10 to 18 years.

CHRIST IN ART AND SONG.

Christmas Music at Congregational Church. Miss Bowen will Sing.

A very attractive service will be held in the Congregational church on the evening of December 20. On this occasion the Christmas music will be rendered, and will be illustrated by beautiful stereopticon pictures of the birth of Christ. Rev. Mr. Tenney will go to Boston next week to select such views as are appropriate for this representation. Miss Bowen of Brooklyn, soprano, Mr. Dunham, baritone, Mrs. F. W. Streeter, contralto, Charles L. Beardslee, violinist, the string quartet of the church and full chorus of forty-six voices, with Miss Elva Brown, the regular soprano, will render a splendid program of Christmas selections.

Royal Arcanum Election.

Berkshire council, No. 839, Royal Arcanum, held their annual election of officers Monday evening in their lodge rooms in the Martin block. The officers elected were as follows:

Regent, W. F. Corkum; vice regent, Gilbert W. Gould; orator, E. E. Byam; past regent, A. W. Hawkins; secretary, W. L. Loynes; collector, W. L. Potter; treasurer, W. Walter Cummings; chaplain, John Makant; guide, H. P. Linnell; warden, James H. Merrill; secretary, Robert Francis; trustees, Joseph Makant, John Smith, C. F. Carter; representative to grand council, Albert Hawkins; alternate representative, Fred W. Reed.

To Florida for the Winter.

Miss Fannie Burlingame and Lue Gim Gong of Church street left Monday for their yearly trip to DeLand, Fla. During their trip they will visit friends in Washington, D. C., Ashville, N. C., and Columbia, S. C., and will probably reach their destination on Saturday, December 19. Miss Burlingame and Mr. Gong expect to return to their home in this city about June 1. Miss Lagette Hadstrom of De Land, Fla., who has been their guest since their return to this city last June, accompanies them to her home.

—Secretary Lovejoy of the Y. M. C. A. will attend a conference of the association secretaries of this state and Rhode Island, to be held at Melrose Wednesday afternoon and evening.

Night Robes

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NIGHT ROBES $1.00.

Night Robes trimmed torchon lace and nov braid, round tucked yo we are selling them for $1, usual selling price $1.48.

Empire Night Robes $1.39.

Empire Night Robes, full sleeves handsomely trimmed with Swiss embroidery, and silk ribbons, white, yellow, pink, blue, etc., usual price $1.59, we ask $1.39.

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I know not what record of sin awaits me in the other world; but this I do know, that I never was so mean as to despise a man because he was poor, because he was ignorant, or because he was black.
—*John A. Andrew.*

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"WE HOLD THE WESTERN GATEWAY."
From the Seal of North Adams.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, DEC. 8, 1896.

"THOSE NORTH ADAMS BOYS."

Last summer while visitors were passing through our city in one party driving through our streets was a lady who had been here before. One of her first remarks as she struck Main street was "Oh dear, there are those North Adams boys again." Inquiry elicited the information that her exclamation was caused by the way the boys carried themselves in the street. And then she severely criticized their street manners, referring especially to the slouchiness of bearing which she claimed was very noticeable to one coming here from other cities, sufficiently so to make our boys easily recognizable to her.

We believe North Adams has about as fine and manly specimens of "Young America" as can be found anywhere and we are confessed admirers of them in many respects, but we are not so blind or so foolish as to attempt to say that the lady's criticism was wholly unwarranted. Unfortunately it must be admitted that many, not all, of our boys are exceedingly careless to say the least, in regard to the way they carry themselves on the street. There is a manner noticeable that would seem to have been an outgrowth of the silly cigarette age, now, with thanks be it said, passing rapidly away. Started in an affected spirit, perhaps,—an affected football-out-between-the-acts-soda-pop toughness it has developed into a slouchy habit that it must be regretfully admitted merits some criticism.

The criticism applies especially to a set of boys seen on our streets most constantly who perhaps might be classed at from fourteen-year-olds to seventeen-year-olds. A younger set is growing up to which, with pride it can be said, none of the criticism applies; as bright, manly and gentle manly a lot of little fellows as one could wish to see.

Now there is a cause for this difference between these two generations of boys. The vanishing cigarette is part of the cause, and we believe another cause is the lack of healthful exercise and physical manly training. Upon the little fellows these evils have not yet produced their effects. Upon the older boys the effect of the evils and neglects are apparent. Given, places for healthful exercise, for bowling, swimming, boxing and other manly sports or strict military drill and discipline and you would see that the boys would soon have style enough about them. The boys are all right but the "set up" of some of them seems sort of "fresh" or childish, in the opinion of such people as the lady whose criticism is referred to, and she was not (this is not a lisping pun) a myth.

IT PAYS AS WELL AS BLESSES.

As you pass through Battle Creek, Michigan on the Michigan Central railroad the most conspicious thing you will notice is a huge signboard alongside the track, as big as a good-sized building block, setting forth the practical business attractions of the city, such as go to make it a desirable place for investment and locating.

The chief feature of the city so presented is its hospital. In enormous letters on a gigantic sign attention is called to it and the number of thousands of patients cared for annually is mentioned. This is done by the municipality evidently with great pride and satisfaction as being a mark of the city's enterprise and prosperity.

The Battle Creek hospital has added greatly to the fame and value of that city. The North Adams hospital with its superb location, its broadgauged principles of medical practice, its able and generous corps of physicians and surgeons, its superior professional management, the high character of its training school for nurses and its many other advantages can do the same for this city if its interests are pushed with enterprise both here and out-of-town.

With a suitable building for the training school pupils and nurses and for convalescents it would be but an easy matter to make it very popular with New York and Boston physicians as a peculiarly desirable place for their patients needing to be sent to the hills for rest and health.

The Home Market Bulletin's London correspondent, speaking of the need of something being done for American shipping, very rightly says, "The McKinley regime will no doubt inaugurate a new departure in the American mercantile marine. Indeed, it is quite looked for here because it seems so ridiculous for the ever-increasing quantities of American manufactures and produce to be always carried in British ships. It is well known that Japan is entering on an enterprising policy as regards subsidizing and encouraging her shipping, although that policy has been forced on the Japanese government by the recent war with China, a fact which I will deal with more fully in a succeeding letter. It is quite evident that if reciprocity is to be a point of McKinley's policy, he must be prepared to encourage the American merchant service to carry American goods, and not entrust what is a gigantic carrying trade to a foreign and rival power. You have only to look back to years gone by to see what a high position the United States once held on the seas. You cannot well encourage trade with other countries without doing something to promote the transport service between such markets."

In reply to several inquiries concerning the exact electoral vote for the two presidential candidates, we would say that 272 Republican electors and 175 Democratic electors were chosen, and that McKinley and Hobart had 725,418 more votes than Bryan and Sewall. But Bryan and Watson had 90,568 votes, Palmer and Buckner had 116,194, the Prohibitionists cast 125,237 votes and 13,390 votes were scattering. The country's total vote polled was 13,750,351.

By common consent, the president's message is voted to be a very ordinary message. It is conservative, and that is wise and right. This country needs a rest with no war nightmares to disturb it. The disturbing questions regarding Cuba and finance are to be left for solution by the McKinley administration. Grover Cleveland is not the man to try to make an unnecessary sensation for personal effect as his last presidential message clearly shows.

They are slaves who fear to speak
For the fallen and the weak;
They are slaves who will not choose
Hatred, scoffing and abuse,
Rather than in silence shrink
From the truth they needs must think;
They are slaves who dare not be
In the right with two or three.
—LOWELL.

Don't waste your life in doubts and fears; spend yourself on the work before you, well assured that the right performance of this hour's duties will be the best preparation for the hours or ages that follow it.

—RALPH WALDO EMERSON.

C. W. Ford, candidate for assessor, disclaims absolutely any part in a "deal" to defeat Mr. Peach, the three-year candidate for assessor. He affirms that neither by word nor deed has he given the least warrant for any charge of opposition on his part to Mr. Peach.

The large amounts appropriated for school purposes in this city the past year speak two facts very plainly: That North Adams, population is growing rapidly and that it is a population that believes in education. Both are good signs.

Manager Meade is furnishing a remarkably fine series of theatrical events this season. Otis Skinner, who appears at the Columbia opera house Wednesday evening is an artist worthy of the choicest and largest of North Adams audiences.

"Wasn't that a capital and bright idea of his though," asks the visiting crank referring to an esteemed contemporary. "Oh yes," says our modestly funny freak, "And I know the idea is his own too for the TRANSCRIPT gave it to him."

The amount of taxes collected by Treasurer Hardenbergh and the small amount now outstanding speaks well for our city treasurer's efficiency. He knows how to collect taxes.

The one consideration for voting for any candidate for city office—character, experience and fitness.

THE EDITOR'S SHEARS.

FOR TODAY.

MY NEIGHBOR'S BOY.

He seems to be several boys in one,
So much is he constantly everywhere!
And the mischievous things that boy has done
No mind can remember nor mouth declare.
He fills the whole of his share of space
With his strong, straight form and his merry face.

He is very cowardly, very brave,
He is kind and cruel, good and bad,
A brute and a hero! Who will save
The best from the worst of my neighbor's lad?
The mean and the noble strive today—
Which of the powers will have its way?

The world is needing his strength and skill.
He will make hearts happy or make them ache.
What power is in him for good or ill?
Which of life's paths will his swift feet take?
Will he rise and draw others up with him?
Or the light that is in him burn low or dim.

But what is my neighbor's boy to me
More than a nuisance? My neighbor's boy,
Though I have some fears for what he may be,
Is a source of solicitude, hope, and joy,
And a constant pleasure. Because I pray
That the best that is in him may rule some day.

He passes me by with a smile and a nod,
He knows I have hope of him—guesses, too,
That I whisper his name when I ask of God
That men may be righteous, His will to do.
And I think that many would have more joy
If they loved and prayed for a neighbor's boy.
—London Christian World.

Additional Local News on Pages One and Four.

Classes Formed Tonight.

The classes in the evening educational work at the Y. M. C. A. will be organized this evening. Any members desirous of joining classes in penmanship, business arithmetic or bookkeeping are requested to meet at the rooms at 7.30 o'clock.

If you want nice Printing, come to this Office for it.

TRAVELLER'S GUIDE.

Fitchburg Railroad.

Corrected Oct. 5, 1896.

Trains Leave North Adams going East—a1.37, 15.18, 7.23, 9.53, 11.42 a. m.; 2.22, 14.10, c2.00 p. m.
Going West—1.30, 10.08 a. m.; 12.20, 1.24, 5.30, 18.05 11.46, c2.39, c7.40 p. m.
Trains Arrive from East—10.08 a. m.; 12.10, 1.24, 5.00, 18.05, 11.46, c2.39 p. m.
From West—a1.37, 15.18, 7.23, 9.53, 11.42 a. m.; 2.22, 11.10, 7.00 p. m., c2.00 p. m.
a Runs Daily, except Monday.
1 Runs Daily, Sundays included.
c Sundays only.

Boston & Albany Railroad.

Trains leave North Adams going south.—5.20, 8.00, 9.35 a. m., 12.15, 3.00, 6.05, 7.04.
Sundays only—9.25, a. m., 1.55, 6.00 p. m.
Trains arrive from south—8.24, 10.02 a. m., 11.35 2.55, 5.39, 6.55, 10.20 p. m.
Sundays only—11.30 a. m., 4.10, 7.50. p. m.

Hoosac Valley Street Railway.

ADAMS LINE.

Leave North Adams—6.15, *6.15, 7.00, 7.15, 8.30, 9.15, 10.00, 10.45, 11.30 a. m., 12.15, 1.15, 1.45, 2.15, 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15, 4.45, 5.15, 5.45, 6.15, 6.45, 7.15, 7.45, 8.15, 8.45, 9.15, 9.45, 10.15, *10.45.
Leave Adams—5.30, 6.30, *6.30, 7.00, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15, 10.00, 10.45, 11.30 a. m., 12.15, 1.00, 1.30, 2.00, 2.30, 3.00, 3.30, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.30, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30, 9.00, 9.30, 10.00, *10.30, *11.00.

WILLIAMSTOWN LINE.

Leave North Adams—6.30, 6.00, 7.00, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15, 10.00, 10.45, 11.30 a. m., 12.15, 1.15, 1.45, 2.15, 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15, 4.45, 5.15, 5.45, 6.15, 6.45, 7.15, 7.45, 8.15, 8.45, 9.15, 9.45, 10.15.
Leave Williamstown—6.15, 7.00, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15, 10.00, 10.45, 11.30 a. m., 12.15, 1.00, 1.30, 2.00, 2.30, 3.00, 3.30, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.30, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30, 9.00, 9.30, 10.00, 10.30 11.00.

*To Zylonite only.

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THIS EVENING'S EVENTS.

Monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of the Universalist church.

Semi-annual election of the Baptist Young People's union.

Special meeting of the Caledonian club.

Annual meeting of North Adams lodge, A. O. U. W.

Annual meeting of Greylock lodge, F. and A. M.

Formation of classes in educational work at the Y. M. C. A.

Regular meeting of the Ladies' Catholic Benevolent association.

Reception to the Ladies' sodality, the Boys' sodality and the Children of Mary at St. Joseph's hall, and celebration of the Feast of the Immaculate conception at St. Francis church.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

—Barnard & Co. have recently supplied very tasty caps and ornament for Hose 1.

—The Women's Tens will meet to sew Wednesday at 2 p. m. in the church parlors.

—The annual meeting of Mountain lodge, A. O. U. W. will be held Tuesday evening, December 15.

—Flagg's old livery barn is nearly demolished and Porter & Hannum will soon begin work on the new one.

—Ransford & Haskins have secured the local agency for the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance company

—The regular meeting of the Ladies' Catholic Benevolent association will be held in their rooms this evening at 6.45 o'clock.

Mrs. Dever Warner of Bridgeport, Conn., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Torrey Cady, at their home on Church street.

—The committees of the Men's Sunday evening club will meet Friday evening in the Congregational church parlors for conference and supper.

—The new bridge of the Fitchburg company, leading from State street to the railroad yard, will be finished this week. It is a substantial and fair looking bridge.

—H. G. Brown of the New York studio will have charge of the refreshments at the nurses' home benefit dance to be given Friday evening, December 18. Ice-cream and cake will be served during the evening.

—Willis Lesure of Stamford, Vt., who has been sick for some time with typhoid fever, was reported considerably worse this morning and Dr. Nichols of that town, the attending physician, feared that he could not recover.

—C. L. Mayne, formerly division superintendent of the Fitchburg railroad, and now assistant general superintendent, made his first trip over the road in his new capacity Monday, traveling in the combination car and locomotive "77." General Superintendent W. D. Ewing was with him.

—The Kickapoo Indian Medicine company is in this city for a two weeks' stay, occupying a store on Eagle street which has been trimmed with various Indian curiosities. The company is giving away samples of medicine, and expects to dispose of about 10,000 sample bottles during its stay in this city.

—Division 10, A O H., has these new officers: President, D. J. Finnegan; vice president, Patrick Welch; treasurer, Alexander Doherty; financial secretary, Daniel McAvoy; recording secretary, Daniel Lawlor; standing committee, John C. Walsh, Martin Curley, P. H. McMahon, C. J. Murphy, John Brennan.

—At a meeting of the New England Intercollegiate Triangular league in Boston last week, C. S. Carr, '98, Dartmouth, was elected president; C. W. Merriam, '98, Amherst, secretary; and A. C. Twitchell, '98, Williams, treasurer. The football championship for the past season was formally awarded to Dartmouth.

COL. FELLOWS' DEATH

Numerous Messages of Sympathy Received by the Family.

PUBLIC FUNERAL TO-MORROW

Affecting Scene When the Favorite Son of the Deceased Arrived Home from Hot Springs Three Hours Too Late To Bid His Father Farewell.

New York, Dec. 8.—The funeral of Col. John R. Fellows, district attorney of New York county, whose death occurred yesterday afternoon, will take place to-morrow afternoon from his late residence, and will be public. Vernon M. Davis, the newly appointed successor of the deceased, has charge of the arrangements. Many friends have called to extend sympathy and telegrams have been received by Mrs. Fellows from many friends of the family expressing regret at the sad ending of her husband. One of the pathetic incidents connected with the sorrowful event was the home coming of John R. Fellows, jr., the favorite son of the deceased. On receipt of the information of his father's serious illness he started immediately for home from Hot Springs. Telegrams announcing his condition were sent to him at different points. The final telegram announcing the death was received by the young man when he reached Philadelphia. There was an effecting scene when he reached home three hours after his father's death.

Col. John R. Fellows was born in Troy in 1832. When he was five years old his father emigrated to Saratoga county, this state, and there the boy first went to school. When 18 years of age he went to his uncle in Camden, Ark. He studied law in the office of judge Abner A. Stith and soon became a shining light in the legal firmament of that state. The colonel was an elector-at-large from Arkansas on the Bell and Everett ticket in 1860. He stumped his state and was a strong union man. When the war broke out he enlisted in the First Arkansas regiment and served in the Confederate army. He was with the regiment in several battles and was made a colonel. He served later on the staff of Gen. W. N. R. Beall, and was assigned to duty as assistant inspector-general. It was in 1863 that Col. Fellows became a prisoner of war, when Port Hudson, La., fell. After the surrender of Gen. Lee, Fellows returned to Camden and resumed his law practice. He was nominated for state senator in 1866 and was elected. Col. Fellows was delegate to the national convention held in this city in 1868, and helped nominate Gov. Seymour for president. The governor was so impressed by his eloquence that he prevailed upon him to remain here after the convention and help in the campaign in this state. In 1869 District Attorney Garvin appointed Mr. Fellows his assistant and he held the position until 1873. He was counsel to the excise board for two years, and later was assistant under District Attorneys McKeon and Martine. In 1887 he was elected district attorney over De Laney Nicoll, and after the expiration of his term served as a member of the house of representatives from this city. He succeeded Mr. Nicoll as district attorney at the last election to that office. During the recent campaign Col. Fellows spoke frequently for the gold standard cause in the doubtful middle states. He had been for years a well-known figure at state and national conventions, and his reputation as an orator extended throughout the country.

APPROPRIATION ESTIMATES.

$421,718,970 Needed for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, '98.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The estimates of appropriations required for the public service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898, as furnished by the several executive departments and submitted to congress by Secretary Carlisle, show grand totals of $421,718,970.80, against $418,091,073.17 estimated for 1896-97. The tables this year are noticeable for the scarcity of estimates for the construction of public buildings except in the marine hospital service, and for the river and harbor improvements. The following amounts are asked for public buildings in the places named: Alleghany, Pa., postoffice, $55,000; Buffalo, N. Y., postoffice, $600,000; Brockton, Mass., postoffice, $50,000; Camden, N. J., custom house and postoffice, $100,000; Cumberland, Md., court house and postoffice, $50,000; New York city, appraisers' warehouse, $300,000.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Wheat—Prices weak; trade quiet. Dec., 87⅝c.; May, 80½c.

Corn—Spot easier, with fair trade. Dec., 29c.; May, 31⅝c.

Oats—Trade firmer; fair demand. Dec., 23⅞c.; May, 26⅜c.

Lard—Market firm; moderate trade. Prime western, $4.10.

Eggs—Steady prices; good demand State and Pennsylvania, fresh, 22@26c.; ice house, 16@22c.; western, fresh, 22@24c.; limed, 15½@16; southern, 21@23.

Butter—Receipts continue moderate. Creamery western extras, 24c.; state and Pennsylvania, extras, 19@23c.; creamery, western seconds, 15c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fresh factory, 15c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fall made extras, 17@18c.; western imitation creamery, seconds to firsts, 10½@14c.; western factory, firsts to extras, 9@10½c.

Cheese—Quiet and firm. State, full cream, large size, fall made, colored, 10¼c.; large, common to choice, part skims, 3½@6¾c.

Potatoes—Steady; moderate demand. Long Island, in bulk, per barrel, $1.25@1.37; New Jersey, round, choice, per barrel, $1.00@1.12.

German Editors Sentenced.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—In the libel suit against the German editors all but one of them were found guilty. Von Luetzow and Loeckert were sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment each. Berger was condemned to be confined for one month. Ploetz was fined 500 marks and Foellmer 300 marks. Leckert's father was also accused, but nothing was proved against him and he was discharged.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

H. H. Scully of Boston, formerly of this city, was the guest last week of his brother, Officer Scully.

Miss Jennie McNeill will entertain friends at whist Monday evening at her home on Eagle street in honor of her guest, Miss Mary O. Talbot of Springfield.

E. L. Ashman has returned from a few days' business trip to Boston.

W. J. McNeill is in Albany, N. Y., on business.

Frederick Francis of Pittsfield, who sang in the Baptist church Sunday, will occupy the position of bass soloist during the Sundays of this month in the Baptist choir.

Miss Lela Edmunds of Hoosick Falls, N. Y., is the guest of Mrs. A. A. McDonell of Bank street.

W. C. T. U. County Convention.

Mrs. A. A. Wills of Union street attended the Berkshire county convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance union, held today at the Congregational church in Great Barrington. Mrs. John Simonds of this city, state treasurer of the union, also attended the convention. The session opened at 10 o'clock, and the morning's program consisted of reports from the different officers and the appointment of committees. The afternoon session opened at 2 o'clock and lasted until 4.30. An evening session will be held, at which Mrs. J. H. W. Stuckenburg of Cambridge will make an address.

TOWN TALK.

Garland of Violets.

Palmer's latest perfume fragrant and lasting 80 cents an ounce at Kearn's Pharmacy.

Carbonettes (dead finished photos) cabinets $3 per dozen at the New York studio, 36 Main street.

Barnes' Holiday Offering.

L. M. Barnes, the well known and reliable jeweler, is prepared for the holidays with the largest and choicest stock of silver ware and Christmas novelties ever offered to the public at this old and popular store, which is saying a great deal in view of past records. The large assortment offers rare opportunity for selection and embraces everything in the line of fine jewelry, watches, silver ware and novelties of all descriptions—articles admirably adapted for wedding or holiday gifts. When such goods are offered at prices far below any ever before known, as these are, prudent buyers will investigate before making selections elsewhere.

Elastic Trusses

Are easy to wear and easy to buy $1.37 at Kearn's Pharmacy.

Housewives.

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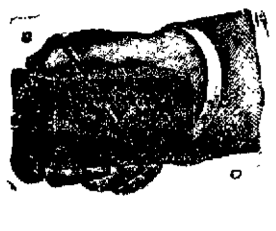

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE.

By virtue of a power of sale, contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Francis and Olive Benoit, of North Adams, Mass., to the North Adams Savings Bank, a corporation duly established by law, and located at and doing business in North Adams, Berkshire County, Massachusetts, which said mortgage is dated June eleventh, A. D. 1892, and recorded in the Northern Berkshire Registry of Deeds, at Adams, Mass., in book 201 page 157, will be sold at public auction, upon the premises, on Thursday the 17th day of December, A. D. 1896, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, all and singular, the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely, a certain parcel of land situate in said North Adams, and bounded and described as follows, to wit:—Beginning at a stake driven in the ground on the northerly side of a street, leading easterly along the northerly side of the North Branch of the Hoosac River, said stake being at the southwest corner of the land hereby described, and thence running North 3° 7' West, one hundred fifty-nine and six-tenths (159.6) feet to a stake driven in the ground, at the southerly side of a proposed street, as indicated by the fence now standing, thence, deflecting by an interior angle 103° and 3' and running North 39° 50' East, along the southerly side of the proposed street, sixty-eight feet, to a stake driven in the ground, thence deflecting by an interior angle of 65° and 23' and running South 25° 33' East, one hundred ninety-four and three tenths feet, to a stake at the northerly side of the first mentioned road as indicated by a fence, thence deflecting, by an interior angle of 77° and 44' and running South 70° 43' West, thirty-eight and six one hundredths feet, to the place of beginning, being all the land between two proposed streets, surveyed by F. S. Smith, May 22nd, 1885, to which date above courses relate. Said premises lie easterly of East Cliff street. Said premises will be sold subject to taxes. $200 will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale.

NORTH ADAMS SAVINGS BANK.
By V. A. WHITAKER, Treasurer.

NOTICE.

The Board of Public Works will hold their regular meetings in their room at City Hall on Monday and Friday afternoons at 3 o'clock.

W. G. CADY, Chairman,
JAS. E. HUNTER,
GEO. W. CHASE.

A GOLD SNAP
As the winter season approaches you will hear frequent allusions made to cold snaps. A cold snap is no soft snap to the individual, for it means oftentimes a troublesome cough, sleepless nights, and unless relief is soon obtained, a possible case of pneumonia. In this ever changeable climate of ours great care must be exercised, especially among those susceptible to colds but in spite of this, colds will prevail from now until spring. There is one safeguard, however, that can be relied upon. At the first indication of an approaching cold
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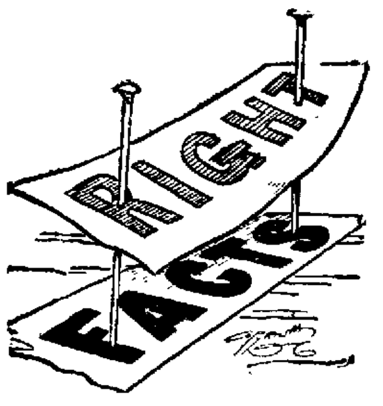

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SUBURBAN NEWS.

Happenings of Interest in Our Neighbor Towns.

AT ADAMS TODAY.

"Mr. Bob" at the Opera House--St. Thomas' Church Nearly Ready for Use--Knights of Columbus Council to be Organized--Northern Berkshire Ministers Meet--Sons of Veterens Elect New Officers--Events of the Evening--Other Local News.

Nearly Ready for Use.

The basement of the new St. Charles church is nearly ready for use. The settees are in; all the altars have been set in place and nicely ornamented; the decoration of the walls and ceiling has been finished; the steam heating system is in; the electric and gas light fixtures have been set; the carpets are here and will be laid at once, and the organ from the old church will be set up in a week or so. The basement is undoubtedly one of the nicest in New England. It is high and nicely arranged as well as finished. Outside, the bank separating the church from Rev. Father Moran's residence has been nearly all cut away and the church can be entered by the priests from that side. Much of the dirt which was taken from the bank has been used in grading on the street side. The ground at the entrances is high and steps have been built to allow entrance from the street.

"Mr. Bob."

"Mr. Bob," the play which has been so carefully rehearsed by the Adams players, will be given at the opera house this evening to a large audience, the members of which are interested in the play and in the worthy object of its presentation. The sale of seats has been very large and so thoroughly has the affair been advertised, it would seem improbable that there is a person in town who does not known that "Mr. Bob" will be at the opera house tonight. Following is the cast of characters:

The Cast.

Philip Royson, nephew of Miss Luke..........
Dr. Holmes.
Mr. Robert Brown, lawyers clerk..........
Mr. Campbell.
Jenkins, butler..........
Mr. Legate.
Miss Rebecca Luke, a maiden lady..........
Miss Wellington.
Katherine, niece of Miss Luke..........
Miss Bessie Adams.
Marion Bryant, Katherine's friend..........
Miss Serena Adams.
Patty, servant..........
Miss Sayles.

Ministers Meet.

The Northern Berkshire Ministerial association held a pleasant meeting with Rev. O. I. Darling Monday. Rev. Dr. Brown, pastor of the North Adams Methodist church, read a paper on Ian McLaren, whom he has seen and heard several times recently. The clergymen present were Messrs. Darling, Penniman and Foskett of Adams; Church, Penney, and Tebbetts of North Adams; Landry of Stamford, Vt.; and McMillan of Savoy. Rev. Mr. Harding of Cheshire was a visitor.

Knights of Columbus.

Dr. J. C. Crowley, who was recently appointed to examine persons desiring to join the Knights of Columbus council to be organized here, has examined fourteen men and there are enough others who intend to beome members to secure a charter, for which twenty insurance members necessary. It is probable that a charter will be procured within a short time and the council will be instituted shortly afterwards.

Events of the Evening.

The Adams Cooperative bank will hold its monthly meeting in its office in Jones' block.

The play "Mr. Bob" will be presented at the opera house for the benefit of the high school decoration fund.

Services will be held at St. Charles' church.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor will hold its weekly meeting at the Congregation church.

The Fortnightly club will meet with Rev. O. I. Darling in the parlors of the Universalist church Monday evening.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Catherine McNeil was held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. F. Phillips, on Crandall street, at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Rev. H. B. Foskett officiated.

Publisher Boorn has designed a very pretty poster, advertising the New Year's eve dance of Forest Park drum corps.

Conductor Buntz of the Williamstown branch has severed connection with the electric road. George Morgan goes from the Adams to the Williamstown end and Patrick Cravin succeeds him.

The new bridge is about completed. It is a splendid piece of work.

The selectmen met Monday evening.

The primary schools will close Friday.

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And dispel the dark clouds that cluster the tomb,
Naught but faith, hope and trust can we have for today,
All knowledge withheld from mortals in clay.

Our old friend lived a plain, even life all the way,
And bore bravely old age with its painful decay,
Such a life seems worth living, a century old,
He was sensible, modest and not over bold.

The monthly business meeting of the Epworth league was held at the Methodist church Monday evening. It was voted to have the semi annual election of officers take place Monday evening, December 28.

The Universalists are contemplating having a praise service at the church once or twice each week.

Mrs. Will Kachler of Pittsfield has been visiting Mrs. E Lockwood.

Mrs. L. J. Northrup has returned from East Granby, Conn., where she has been visiting relatives.

The ladies of the Baptist church will hold a social in the church parlors this vening.

Drew and Lamb gave a musical entertainment with the banjo and guitar in the reading room of Greylock hall recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Jairus Tyrrell of Wolcott, N. Y., are stopping at A. R. Tyrrell's.

James Coughlin has been at Lake Pleasant for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Warner of Naugatuck, Conn., are guests of L. J. Fisk.

The sacrament of the Lord's supper was administered at the Methodist church Sunday morning. The Epworth league meeting was led by Ralph Getman in the evening, the theme being "The Third Person in Every Friendship."

The funeral of the late Ezra Tyrell was held at the home of A. R. Tyrrell Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. Rev. C. E. Bissell was the officiating clergyman. The following poem, written by J. B. Dean, was read by Mr. Bissell.

WILLIAMSTOWN.

Rev. W. L. Tenney of North Adams will lecture in the Methodist church Wednesday evening. This is the first of a course in which the other speakers will be Sanborn G. Tenney and Rev. Dr. J. W. Thompson of Pittsfield.

Rev. W. L. Tenney, pastor of Congregational church in North Adams, will deliver a lecture at the Methodist church Wednesday evening on this subject: "The Good Old Days or the Good New Days."

John F. Bacon, '98, of Pittsfield, has been elected editor-in-chief of Williams Weekly to succeed George B. Hedges, '97, of New York, whose term will end in March.

Amos Belden has broken ground for a new building on Cole avenue and will have his shop there. In the spring he will erect a three-story block on Hall street.

The directors of the Williamstown National bank held their regular monthly meeting today.

Thomas McMahon has gone to Boston to work for his uncle.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Hunt Monday.

One of Waterman & Moore's delivery horses driven by Henry Fairbanks, caught his foot at the Fitchburg railroad crossing this morning and the hoof was broken off.

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The funeral of Mary Agnes Shea, who died Saturday morning at the home of her grandmother, was held at 9 o'clock this morning from Temperance hall and was largely attended. A requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. J. J. Fallon of Williamstown, assisted by the St. Patrick's choir. The deceased was well known in this village, being a bright young lady of vivacious and lovable disposition, and her death, which came after a long run of typhoid fever, which finally developed into pneumonia, was a sad blow to the family, who have the sympathy of a large circle of friends in this their hour of bereavement. Interment was in the south cemetery at North Adams.

Rev. Father Fallon of the Catholic mission announced Sunday that all funerals in the future would be held from Temperance hall unless the friends of the deceased wish it otherwise. This is an accommodation that the people of the mission fully appreciate, and is fully in keeping with the pastor's desire to do everything in his power for the spiritual welfare and comfort of his people. A choir is also to be formed and high mass sung once a month.

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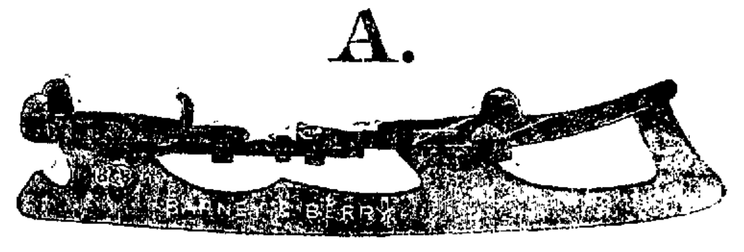

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RELIGIOUS MATTERS PROMINENT.

Ian McLaren's Visit. Mr. Moody's Great Work. Suburban Home Company's Plans. New Charter.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6, 1896.

EDITOR TRANSCRIPT:—New York has given in the past two days, a welcome to Dr. Watson which he may easily consider as a great personal tribute, As Ian M'Laren he has been giving well attended readings from his writings; as Dr. Watson he was the guest of the Lotos club on Saturday evening. The Lotos shines by the reflected light of the many brilliant men who have been its guests, and is unexcelled in its hospitality. The dinner last night was the equal of its predecessors but was only a preliminary to the reception at Dr. Hall's church on Sunday evening, where, at the invitation of the students' club, Dr. Watson preached a special sermon to college men. The church was packed to its utmost capacity, with people standing in every available space, and hundreds who could not gain admission remaining in the adjoining streets a full half hour before the time of the service. Grey-haired men were there besides this year's freshmen, and all alike listened with interest to Dr. Watson's able exposition of the Word; and the preacher may well have been pleased that in his more serious vein he can retain that hold he has acquired on the public by his charming stories.

Mr. Moody, too, is meeting with unforeseen success in his work, and New York, the embodiment of the material and temporal, presents the unaccustomed spectacle of an eager interest and delight in the spiritual and eternal. Perhaps indeed the present is but the apperance of a spirit which has been long at work. As an instance one may cite, the City and Suburban Homes company, a corporation this week organized with a capital of one million dollars, the object of which is to provide at actual cost tenement houses in the city and small homes of great comfort and sanitary excellence for men who, unaided, would be unable to keep their families in any residence better than the 'barracks' of the lower East Side. After the experience of many similar organizations in England, and one or two already established here, this company confidently expects to prove that cleanliness and comfort result in a profit to the landlord without any increase in rent to the tenant. On the board of directors are such well known financiers as Cornelius Vanderbilt, Adrian Iselin, Samuel D. Babcock and D. O. Mills

In the past week the general plan of the charter of Greater New York has become known. It will be interesting to notice that many ideas now in practice at North Adams are embodied in the draft of the charter Minority representation was considered, but eminent lawyers were of the opinion that such a provision would be unconstitutional in this state. The appointment of heads of departments, the most important function in a municipality, is to be vested absolutely in the mayor, who is also to have a limited power of removal. The common council will probably have twenty-one members, the same number for the more than two million inhabitants that North Adams has for its twenty thousand. However, there is to be an upper chamber of nine or eleven members that will act as a reviewing body on the work of the council.

In the amusement world we are indebted to England for two of our pleasantest attractions for the coming week, Beerbohm Tree at the Knickerbocker theatre and Willard at Wallacks. Both of these actors stand so high in the esteem of the public on account of their fidelity to the best traditions of the drama that everyone unites in wishing them success, and the prospects are bright for each of them.

Mr. Daly and Mr. Mansfield are to be praised for each in his peculiar way helping to raise the American standard of the stage. Their companies continue the otherwise almost abandoned custom of frequent changes of bill, so that their clientele can derive the maximum of enjoyment without thinking even of the other theatres.

W. H. Crane and John Drew are meeting with their usual good fortune, and New York may be congratulated on having such a number of entertainments of the highest class.

Lovers of music have before them, in addition to the opera, the charms of 'cello recital at Steinway hall on Tuesday by Hans Kronold, and two Philharmonic concerts by the Boston Sympathy orchestra, under Seidl as conductor, at the Academy of music in Brooklyn on Friday evening and Saturday afternoon.

NORTH ADAMS.

A STAMFORD THIEF.

His Troubles are Coming Upon Him Thick and Continuously.

Napoleon Gaudet, who has just been released from prison in New York state, has been brought to Bennington for trial for a burglary committed in Stamford four years ago. He then robbed the home of John Collins of $108 while Mr. Collins was in North Adams on business. Gaudet was then working as a laborer in Stamford. He was taken prisoner by Sheriff Morrisey, was tried and convicted and lodged in jail at Bennington, but broke jail as he had once before done at St. Albans, and was next heard of in a New York state prison.

On his release from prison in New York he was recently brought to Bennington and his trial for committing the Stamford robbery was begun today. Sheriff Morrissey of Stamford and several other Stamford people are in Bennington as witnesses.

A SERIES OF THREE CONCERTS.

To Occur at Pittsfield Under the Auspices of Wood Brothers.

The many lovers of music throughout Berkshire, and especially in the vicinity of Pittsfield, will be pleased to learn that arrangements have been completed for a series of three concerts at the Academy of Music in Pittsfield, which will in a great manner make up for the big disappointment in not having a May festival the past season and the failure of Madame Nordica to appear there last June as advertised. The season of '96 to the music lovers of Pittsfield and vicinity has been somewhat of a failure and the securing of this series of concerts under the auspices of Wood Brothers will be hailed with delight.

The first of the series will take place January 14, when the Camilla Urso Concert company will be the attraction. This company consists of Mme. Camilla Urso, violin virtuoso; Mlle. Carlotta Desvignes, prima donna contralto; Franklin Sonnekalb, pianist, and Edwin H. Douglas, *tenor*. *On Monday evening*, January 25, the famous Kneisel quartet of Boston, composed of Franz Kneisel, first violin; Otto Roth, second violin; Louis Schevenski, viola; and Alvin Schroeder, violincello, will make their first appearance in this vicinity. The third and last of the series of concerts will be held Friday evening, February 19, for which the celebrated Temple quartet of Boston, assisted by Miss Katherine Ridgeway, reader, has been engaged. This quartet is made up of E. E. Bullock, first tenor; E. F. Weber, second tenor; Robert Bruce, baritone, and B. C. Willard, bass.

Hardly a word need be said regarding the make-up of this series of concerts, as it is well known that no better arrangements could be made to please the people who are interested in this class of entertainment. The connection of the name of Wood Brothers with this series of concerts is enough of a guaranty that the attractions *are of the best*. This firm has had much to do since its location in Pittsfield with the arranging of concerts, and W. P. Wood, as president of the Berkshire Musical Festival association, has had probably as much to do in this line as any man in Western Massachusetts. The array of talent secured being of the best, all that will be needed is the hearty co-operation of music lovers to make it a grand success.

It is the intention of the management of this series of concerts to arrange, if possible, so that all of Berkshire county will be well accommodated. Efforts will be made to secure the proper railway service by which trains will be held for the north and south, while the electric cars for Dalton and the railroad connections for Hinsdale are all that will be necessary. These concerts are being secured for Pittsfield at an enormous expense, and with the generous support of the public will lead to many more of their kind.

District Court.

The following cases were in court this morning:

William Kelley and Andrew Martin paid fines for drunkennees.

The cases in court yesterday were as follows:

John Brown, disturbing the peace, fined $5; contempt of court, fined $30.8; assault with a dangerous weapon, fined $15. Brown made his home with Joseph Samkiluski of Spring street and caused a disturbance in that household late Saturday evening while under the influence of liquor.

Andy Connors, disturbing the peace, fined $5.

Frank Peters, drunkenness, fined $5.

Thomas Buchanan, disturbing the peace, fined $5.

Charles Sterll, disturbing the peace, fined $5.

William Wade, drunkenness, six months probation.

Edward Saxton, assault on complaint of his wife, case continued until December 12.

Frank Peters, disturbing the peace, six months probation.

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Program for Tonight.

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Testimony	
Solo	John Clark
Scripture	
Cornet solo	Bro. Buck
Italian solo	by the Saved Italian
Solo—Right Down Glad	Harold Platt
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HOW IT IS VIEWED

Opinions in Washington of Cleveland's Final Message.

CUBAN QUESTION LEADS DISCUSSION

Many Senators and Representatives Loath To Express Their Views—Members of Foreign Relations Committee Particularly Reticent.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Views of a number of senators and representatives on the president's message were sought this morning by a representative of the United Associated Presses, and although they were generally chary in their comments several were found who willingly expressed their opinions of the message. Speaker Reed said: "It seems hardly necessary to comment upon the message. It is calm in tone and on the Cuban question will be much more satisfactory to the community than it would have been a year ago, as much sounder ideas prevail than prevailed then. I wish there had been as frank an acknowledgement of the deficit a year ago as there is now. The idea that the revenue is sufficient, being made so by borrowing, seems to me hardly tenable." Gen. Grosvenor, rep., Ohio: "The treatment of the Cuban and other foreign matters will not be satisfactory to those who have so earnestly hoped for the early action of our country in the interests of and early cessation of wholesale murder in the unhappy island of Cuba. The reference to the tariff is far from satisfactory. The claim that price of commodities has been reduced in the interests of the people is unimportant when we realise that idleness by force has placed even cheap goods beyond the reach of so vast a body of our people." Francis G. Newlands, silverite, Nevada, said that the remedy for financial ills proposed by the president, namely, the retirement of the greenbacks and the substitution of national bank notes, would not give the needed relief. Mr. McCreary, dem., Ky., said: "I am pleased with the president's reference to the Cuban and the Venezuelan questions and the tariff." Mr. Taft, rep., O.: "The president has stated the position of the United States forcibly. What he says may be considered as a notice to Spain that the present conditions cannot continue indefinitely." Mr. Lound, rep., Cal.: "The position of the president on Cuban affairs should receive the commendation of all Americans. It is dignified, yet it is sufficiently aggressive to intimate to Spain that this country is anxiously watching events in Cuba." Mr. Bartlett, dem., N. Y., expressed the opinion that the time had come when the United States should interfere in the struggle between Cuba and Spain. Mr. Barrett, rep., Mass.: "The message shows that the administration will do nothing regarding Cuba. An attempt will be made to get congress to force him into some radical measures. I do not believe that it will succeed. That and the Hawaiian question will go over to the next administration. The democrats get no cue from the message, except to do nothing." Representative Morse of Massachusetts—"What the president says of the Turkish situation does credit to his humanity. What he says about the struggle in Cuba and his intimations to Spain are patriotic, humane, and perhaps as far as the country is justified in going in the present situation of affairs." Mr. Walker, rep., Mass.—"What the president says about the weakness of our banking system and its reform is most admirable. When he suggests, however, that the greenbacks be retired by the issue of bonds he forgets that we passed an act in '66 to retire them, and when only [illegible]0,000,000 had been retired the people rose up and congress repealed the act. In 1875 an act was passed to retire them, with the same result as in 1866." Mr. Dalzell, rep., Pa.—"The message is fair as to everything but the tariff. The only two questions that the public are interested in are Cuba and the tariff. I like best that reference to Cuba where he shows a determination not to permit any other power to interfere in the island's affairs. The president is unfair on the tariff." Senators who were loth to discuss the message were especially noticeable among members of the committee on foreign relations. Of this committee, Senators Sherman, Davis, Cameron, Lodge, Gray, Turpie, Daniel and Mills refused to discuss the message in the most formal way. Other senators of prominence who declined to talk were Aldrich, Vest, Faulkner, Hill, Wolcott, Gorman and Jones. Frye of Maine said: "The message is common place. So far as the Cuban question concerned the president argues on both sides of the subject." Senator Chandler *of* New Hampshire: "The message is strong on Cuba and its treatment is adequate to a certain point, but it does not go as far as I would wish. On the tariff it is weak."

THE MESSAGE.

Cuban Situation and Tariff and Finance the Principal Discussions.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The president's message is received as a fitting public farewell from the man whose policies and personality have occupied so much public attention for twelve years. The document is neither very long nor very sensational. The chief topics of interest are the Cuban and financial questions. Announcement is made of the prospective settlement of the Venezuelan boundary question, and that negotiations for a treaty of general arbitration of all differences between Great Britain and the United States are far advanced and promise to result in successful consummation at an early date. The president deplores the situation in the east, and expresses *the disbelief that* "the present sombre prospect in Turkey will be long permitted to offend the sight of Christendom." Regarding Cuba, the president says:

For Peace in Cuba.

"These inevitable entanglements of the United States with the rebellion in in Cuba, the large American property interests affected, and considerations of philanthropy and humanity in general, have led to a vehement demand in various quarters for some sort of positive intervention on the part of the United States. It was at first proposed that belligerent rights should be accorded to the insurgents—a proposition no longer urged, because ultimately and in practical operation clearly perilous and injurious to our own interests. It has since been and is now sometimes contended that the independence of the insurgents should be recognized. But imperfect and restricted as the Spanish government of the island may be, no other exists there—unless the will of the military officer in temporary command of a particular district can be dignified as a species of government. It is now also suggested that the United States should buy the island—a suggestion possibly worthy of consideration if there were any evidence of a desire or willingness on the part of Spain to entertain such a proposal. It is urged, finally, that, all other methods failing, the existing internecine strife in Cuba should be terminated by our intervention, even at the cost of a war between the United States and Spain—a war which its advocates confidently prophesy could be neither large in its proportions nor doubtful in its issue.

Right and Not Might Our Rule.

"The correctness of this forecast need be neither affirmed nor denied. The United States has nevertheless a character to maintain as a nation, which plainly dictates that right and not might should be the rule of its conduct. Further, though the United State is not a nation to which peace is a necessity, it is in truth the most pacific of powers, and desires nothing so much as to live in amity with all the world. Its own ample and diversified domains satisfy all possible longings for territory, preclude all dreams of conquest, and prevent any casting of covetous eyes upon neighboring regions, however attractive. That our conduct towards Spain and her dominions has constitued no exception to this national disposition is made manifest by the course of our government, not only thus far during the present insurrection, but during the ten years that followed the rising at Yara in 1868. No other great power, it may safely be said, under circumstances of similar perplexity, would have manifested the same restraint and the same patient endurance. It may also be said that this persistent attitude of the United States toward Spain in connection with Cuba, unquestionably evinces no slight respect and regard for Spain on the part of the American people. They in truth do not forget her connection with the discovery of the western hemisphere, nor do they underestimate the great qualities of the Spanish people, nor fail to recognize their splendid patriotism and their chivalrous devotion to the national honor.

Genuine Autonomy Our Remedy.

"They view with wonder and admiration the cheerful resolution with which vast bodies of men are sent across thousands of miles of ocean, and an enormous debt accumulated, that the costly possession of the Gem of the Antilles may still hold its place in the Spanish crown. And yet neither the government nor the people of the United States have shut their eyes to the course of events in Cuba, or have failed to realize the existence of conceded grievances, which have led to the present revolt from the authority of Spain—grievances recognized by the queen regent and by the cortes, voiced by the most patriotic and enlightened of Spanish statesmen, without regard to party. and demonstrated by reforms proposed by the executive and approved by the legislative branch of the Spanish government. It is in the assumed temper and disposition of the Spanish government to remedy these grievances, fortified by indications of influential public opinion in Spain, that this government has hoped to discover the most promising and effective means of composing the present strife, with honor and advantage to Spain and with the achievement of all the reasonable objects of the insurrection. It would seem that if Spain should offer to Cuba genuine autonomy—a measure of home rule which, while preserving the soveréighty of Spain, would satisfy all rational requirements of her Spanish subjects—there should be no just reason why the pacification of the island might not be effected on that basis. Such a result would appear to be in the true interest of all concerned. It would at once stop the conflict which is now consuming the resources of the island and making it worthless for whichever party may ultimately prevail. It would keep intact the possessions of Spain without touching her honor, which will be consulted rather than impugned by the adequate redress of admitted grievances. It would put the prosperity of the island and the fortunes of its inhabitants within their own control, without severing the natural and ancient ties which bind them to the mother country, and would yet enable them to test their capacity for self-government under the most favorable conditions. It has been objected on the one side that Spain should not promise autonomy until her insurgent subjects lay down their arms; on the other side, that promised autonomy, however liberal, is insufficient, because without assurance of the promise being fulfilled.

Offer Made to Spain.

"Nevertheless, realizing that suspicions and precautions on the part of the weaker of two combatants are always natural and not always unjustifiable—being sincerely desirous in the interest of both as well as on its own account that the Cuban problem should be solved with the least possible delay—it was intimated by this government to the government of Spain some months ago that, if a satisfactory measure of home rule were tendered the Cuban insurgents, and would be accepted by them upon a guaranty of its execution, the United States would endeavor to find a way not objectionable to Spain of furnishing such a guaranty. While no definite response to this intimation has yet been received from the Spanish government, it is believed to be not altogether unwelcome, while, as already suggested, no reason is perceived why it should not be approved by the insurgents. It is therefore fervently hoped on all grounds that earnest efforts for healing the breech between Spain and the insurgent Cubans, upon the lines above indicated, may be at once inaugurated and pushed to an immediate and successful issue. The friendly offices of the United States, either in the manner above outlined or in any other way consistent with our constitution and laws, will always be at the disposal of either party.

When Our Patience May End.

"Whatever circumstances may arise, our policy and our interests would constrain us to object to the acquisition of the island or an interference with its control by any other power. It should be added that it cannot be reasonably assumed that the hitherto expectant attitude of the United States will be indefinitely maintained. While we are anxious to accord all due respect to the sovereignty of Spain, we cannot view the pending conflict in all its features, and properly apprehend our inevitably close relations to it, and its possible results, without considering that by the course of events we may be drawn into such an unusual and unprecedented condition, as will fix a limit to our patient waiting for Spain to end the contest, either alone and in her own way, or with our friendly co-operation. When the inability of Spain to deal successfully with the insurrection has become manifest, and it is demonstrated that her sovereignty is extinct in Cuba for all purposes of its rightful existence, and when a hopeless struggle for its re-establishment has degenerated into a strife which means nothing more than the useless sacrifice of human life and the utter destruction of the very subject-matter of the conflict, a situation will be presented in which our obligations to the sovereignty of Spain will be superseded by higher obligations, which we can hardly hesitate to recognize and discharge.

Cabinet Speculation.

Canton, O., Dec. 8.—A new cabinet possibility has swung into view. The name is that of Col. Henry A. Dupont of Delaware. He is mentioned in connection with the secretary of war portfolio. Mr. Dupont is a graduate of West Point.

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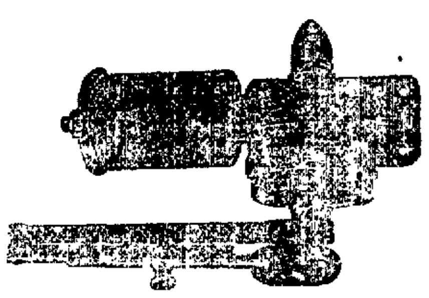

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Horses and Wagons
Fire Engines
Hooks and Ladders
Hose Carriages
Bagatelle Boards
Pianos
Printing Presses
Battle Ships
Form's Music Wheels
Drums
Floor and Table
Croquet
Boy Tool Chest
Ten Pins
Shoo Fly
Dolls

Rocking Horses
Matalophones
Velocipedes

Dominoes
Checkers
Back Gammon Boards
Games, Toys, Paints
Transparent Slates
Picture Frames
Scrap Books
Card Cases
Coin Purses
Pocket Books
Bill Books
Toy Banks
Masks, Albums
Autograph Albums
Lap Tablets
Ink Stands
Box Papers
Fountain Pens
Christmas
Cards
Cameras.

Christmas Booklets
Fancy Calendars
Paper Knives

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